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Applicant(s)

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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ATTENTION: BOX MISSING PARTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Under 37 CFR 1.53(f). which was mailed by the Office on March 5, 2001, enclosed are:

- · An executed Declaration by Inventor(s).
- (X) A Power of Attorney Form and Copy of Assignment.
- (X) An extension of time to respond for two month(s) is hereby requested.

Time Extension Fee:

(X) two months (\$390 large entity)

- The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27. (X)
- (X) A Notice to File Missing Parts.
- (X) Return prepaid postcard.

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(X)	Fees as	calculated	below:
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FILING FEE	\$ 710
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (LARGE ENTITY) 2 months	\$ 390
SURCHARGE 37 CFR 1.16(e)	\$ + 130
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS	\$ 1,230
REDUCTION BY 1/2 FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY.	***
Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28. If applicable, verified statement must be atta	ched. \$ - 615
TOTAL FEES SUBMITTED HEREWITH	

- (X) A check in the amount of \$615 to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, now or in the future, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$866.
 - \$306 for 17 total claims over 20.
 - \$560 for 7 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1706.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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